Seekonk Board of Health

Meeting Minutes

June 23, 2021

Call to order 7:05 pm

Meeting of the Seekonk Board of Health began at Seekonk Town Hall, Planning Board Meeting Room 100 Peck Street, Seekonk, MA 02771 on June 23, 2021.

Attendees Included:

Jonathan Schiller MD Kyle Corbin DC Stephanie Souza RN, BSN Brian Darling Health Agent

Absent: Victoria Kinniburgh RN
Jill DeMello LICSW

Pledge of Allegiance

Consent Calendar

Approval of the minutes of May 26, 2021.

The minutes were table until the next regular meeting.

Unfinished Business

None at this time.

New Business

Request for variance 264 Taunton Ave – Christopher & Brenda Reakes – Dean Monsees OSD Systems Associates, Inc.

- a. 310 CMR 15.211(1) Minimum Setback distances "All systems must conform to the minimum setback distance for all septic tanks and soil absorption systems" to reduce the SAS setback distance to a slab from 10' to 7.8' and to the left property line from 10' to 7.8'
- b. 310 CMR 15.404(20(B) "a minimum of five feet of separation between the bottom of the soil absorption system and the high groundwater elevation shall be provided, using fill if necessary. The Local approving authority may allow a four foot separation only in full compliance with 310 CMR 15.405 to reduce the minimum groundwater separation from 5 feet to 4 feet as per 310 CMR 15.404, approvals for upgrades to maximum feasible compliance.

c. 310 CMR 15.415(2) a variance to allow the repair or replacement in the disposal area with no less than two feet of naturally occurring pervious material may be considered - reduction of the required 4 feet of naturally occurring pervious material to 3.33 feet.

Mr. Dean Monsees of OSD Associates who is representing Christopher and Brenda Reakes. There was an abutter who has not signed his certified mail card. The owners would like to keep the swimming pool for their children. Mr. Monsees stated this is the best that can be down with this restricted non-conforming property. There are wetlands in the area of this property and Mr. Monsees is working with Conservation.

Motion By: Kyle Corbin DC to approve the variances listed above for 264 Taunton Ave.

Second: By: Stephanie Souza RN, BSN.

In Favor: Jonathan Schiller MD, Kyle Corbin DC, and Stephanie Souza RN, BSN.

Opposed: None Abstained: None

Other Business

Discuss other topics not reasonably anticipated by the Chairman 48 hours before the meeting.

Dr. Schiller received a letter from the Town Administrator's office regarding Nolan V. Bernier.

Mr. Darling informed the Board that Mr. Bernier is currently on vacation and we will need to have a meeting to appoint Mr. Bernier as the Assistant Health Agent. The Board would like to have a meeting prior to the next regular Board meeting.

Denied Septic Plans by Health Agent

16 Pershing Ave - Peter Lavoie – Landmark Site Design-Owner of record is incorrect.

691 Fall River Ave - Peter Lavoie-Landmark Site Design – tank not listed as Industrial Wastewater Holding Tank.

1894 Fall River Ave – Peter Lavoie – Landmark Site Design – Owner of Record, Boyancee Calculations, Percolation test not in Soil Absorption System area and Max high ground water assumed at?

25 Robin Hood Drive – Peter Lavoie – Landmark Site Design – Invert from foundation not included on the plan submitted.

691 Fall River Ave – Peter Lavoie – Landmark Site Design – Owner of record is not listed on the design plan.

Mr. Darling informed the Board there has been a few issues with the plans and is being charged for resubmittal fees. Mr. Darling will continue to monitor these plans.

Health Agent Report

The Fall River Department of Health and the Swansea Board of Health regarding a state program, up to \$300,000.00 in grant funds to help with shared services.

The Board would like Mr. Darling to move forward with this program.

The Community Tracing Collaborative is working with local businesses they have dealt with previously, to see if the business and their employees are interested in getting vaccinated.

The next few meeting will be July 7, 2021 and July 28, 2021.

We have received a document from the Massachusetts Courts regarding a default notice. I have not spoken with KP Law regarding this. Mrs. Testa has been working with the Board of Health regarding this, KP Law is filing a response regarding the default notice.

We have an additional 4 cases from the last reporting numbers. We are still grey.

Community Speaks

There is not community speaks at this time.

Board Correspondence and Comments

There are no additional comments from the Board.

Motion By: Kyle Corbin to adjourn at 7:29pm.

Second: By: Stephanie Souza RN, BSN.

In Favor: Jonathan Schiller MD, Kyle Corbin DC, and Stephanie Souza RN, BSN.

Opposed: None Abstained: None

All Board of Health Meetings are recorded. The next Board of Health meeting July 7, 2021.

Prepared by:

Denise C. Curzake, Senior Secretary

Items Distributed to the Board for the June 23, 2021 meeting:

Septic Design Plan for 264 Taunton Ave, Seekonk, MA.